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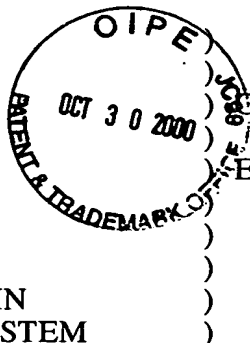
In re Patent Application of

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For: ADAPTER POD FOR USE IN
MEDICAL PERFUSION SYSTEM



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Sir:

This amendment responds to the Office Action dated July 31, 2000 (Paper No. 12).

Please amend the above-noted application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 16, 18 and 21 as follows.

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16. (Amended) An adapter pod for use in a medical perfusion system, said
medical perfusion system having a main controller and a data communications network
with a plurality of connection points, each connection point having a substantially identical
network connector, said adapter pod comprising:
- a common connector adapted to be connected to one of said identical network
connectors, said common connector having a connector configuration;